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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 00-629-B)

In the Application of:		)	
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	Ager et al.	)	
		)	Group Art Unit: 2123
Serial No.: 09/927,214		)	
		)	Examiner: Unassigned
Filing Date: August 10, 2001		)	
		)	Confirmation No.: 4695
For:	Method and Apparatus for Optimization of	)	
	High-Throughput Screening and Enhancement	)	
	Of Biocatalyst Performance	)	

### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Attention: Application Processing Division

Customer Correction Branch

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
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  - b) Copy of Filing Receipt with changes noted thereon; and
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- 2. With respect to fees:
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Date: January 14, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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### REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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### Dear Sir:

- Attached is a copy of the incorrect filing receipt, with corrections appropriately indicated, which was received from the PTO in the above-referenced application for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested.
- 2. There is an error with respect to the following data, which is incorrectly entered.

### **Error In:**

### Applicant(s)

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### **Correct Data:**

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3. The correction is not due to any error by applicant and no fee is due.

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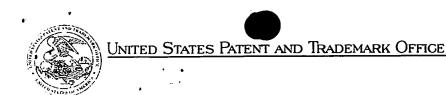
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Claims, Fees, and Inventors

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